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FOR NEA-AMBASSADOR TOON FROM CHARGE

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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR AMBASSADOR TOON

1. ALL OF US WERE AND ARE GREATLY SADDENED BY THE PASSING OF AMBASSADOR KEATING. OUR SAGGING SPIRITS, HOWEVER, WERE GIVEN A CONSIDERABLE BOOST BY THE NEWS OF YOUR NOMINATION.

2. BILL DOZIER, ECONOMIC COUNSELOR, IS CURRENTLY IN WASHINGTON FOR THE SIMON-RABINOWITZ MEETINGS (PRIOR TO HOME LEAVE) AND I KNOW YOU WILL WISH TO HAVE OPPORTUNITY FOR GOOD DISCUSSION WITH HIM. OUR A-85, MAY 10, 1975 ENTITLED " BRIEFING INFORMATION FOR AMBASSADORS AND DCMS AND THEIR WIVES" WILL BE OF INTEREST TO BOTH MRS. TOON AND YOU. IT NOTES INTER ALIA THAT THE PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS CEREMONY IS HELD BETWEEN 7-10 DAYS AFTR ARRIVAL OF NEW AMBASSADOR IN COUNTRY.

3. MFA INFORS US THAT GOI WRITTEN APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT REQUEST IN IN MAIL ON ITS WAY TO EMBASSY AND SHOULD ARRIVE TODAY OR TOMORROW. WE WILL CONFIRM BY IMMEDIATE CABLE THROUGH APPROPRIATE CHANNEL WHEN IT ACTUALLY ARRIVES.

4. AS YOU KNOW, MARY KEATING WILL BE RETURNING TO SAY GOODBYE AND PACK. PRESUMABLY, SHE WILL BE COORDINATING HER PLANS WITH MRS. TOON AND YOU. WE (AND THE GOI) WOULD LIKE TO LEARN OF YOUR RESPECTIVE TRAVEL SCHEDULES AS SOON AS
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POSSIBLE FOR PLANNING PURPOSES.

5. WE WILL HAVE BREIFING BOOK HERE FOR YOU SUMMARIZING
ALL ASPECTS POST OPERATIONS, ETC. I CAN'T THINK OF ANYTHING
TO ADD AT THIS TIME, EXCEPT TO SAY THAT WE ARE ALL LOOKING FORWARD
TO THE EARLY ARRIVAL OF MRS. TOON AND YOU. PLEASE LET ME KNOW
IF THERE IS ANYTHING IN PARTICULAR THAT WE SHOULD BE DOING TO
PREPARE FOR YOUR ARRIVAL.
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